

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: ELECTROLYTE COMPOSITION AND PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERSION ELEMENT  
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for non patent literature titled, "Low viscosity ionic liquids based on organic salts of the dicyanamide anion" by Douglas R. Macfarlane et al, which was previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 14, 2007. Applicant submits herewith a copy of a communication from the Canadian Patent Office listing non-patent literature, "Low viscosity ionic liquids based on organic salts of the dicyanamide anion" by Douglas R. Macfarlane et al, CA 2518923, and AU 3901144. Additionally, AU 3901144 has been previously abandoned. Therefore, Applicant submits herewith, corresponding International Application WO 2004/082059 and non-patent literature PCT/AU2004/000263 (foreign priority document).

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required. However, since a 1.97(e) statement can be made, one is submitted herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement.

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